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Governor Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. declares April as “Fair Housing Month”

SALT LAKE CITY, April 1, 2009 – Communities across the nation are celebrating April as National Fair Housing Month. Utah has added its voice to the celebration through a declaration signed by Governor Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. designating April 2009 as “Fair Housing Month”.

“Utah is committed to the ideal that fair housing opportunity is available to everyone without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status and disability,” said Utah Labor Commissioner, Sherrie Hayashi. “The Commission supports all programs that will educate the public concerning their rights to equal housing opportunity. We actively plan and participate in partnership efforts with other organizations to assure every person their right to live free of the debilitating affects of housing discrimination and to enjoy fair housing rights.”

The declaration is a joint effort between the Utah Labor Commission, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, the State of Utah Department of Community and Culture, Division of Housing and Community Development, the Utah Association of Realtors, the Utah Apartment Association, and the Utah Housing Coalition.

A copy of the Governor’s declaration is available at:

<http://www.laborcommission.utah.gov/AdministrativeServices/LCPressReleases.html>

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